



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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HAYAKAWA et al.

Art Unit: 3654

Application No.: 10/685,703

Examiner: E. Marcelo

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For: CHAIN TENSIONER

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

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March 18, 2005

Sir:

This paper is in reply to the Office Action dated October 20, 2004, the period for response being extended from January 20, 2005 to March 20, 2005, by the attached Petition For Extension of Time.

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